

and millions of people—as many as 12 percent of reproductive-aged couples in America—suffer from this devastating disease, unable to start a family.

The good news is that treatment for infertility has advanced sharply in the last two decades, and includes in vitro fertilization, now considered the standard of care for many couples being treated for infertility.

Despite such 21st century advances, only 15 states currently provide coverage for even basic treatment for infertility.

It is my hope that National Infertility Awareness Week will encourage honest and candid dialogue among lawmakers and health professionals, in an effort to seek cures that will allow every American the opportunity to have a family.

Mr. Speaker, in concluding, I want to congratulate RESOLVE, the nation's oldest fertility advocacy organization, for the brilliant work they are doing to raise awareness about infertility.

HONORING THE 2016 VIENNA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 29, 2016

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Vienna Business Association (VBA) and to congratulate the incoming 2016 board members.

Vienna is known for its local charm and strong small business community. Money Magazine and CNN have both rated Vienna as one of the best places to live in the United States. The vibrant community spirit exhibited by its residents and local businesses has fostered an exceptional quality of life that is sought out by so many.

The Vienna Business Association is the voice of the greater Vienna business community. It promotes business opportunities and development through networking and increased interaction between the commercial and residential communities within the town. Its members help maintain Vienna's small town feel by hosting and supporting many annual community events.

The VBA has thrived thanks to the diversity of its members and the leadership of its Board. I am pleased to submit the following names of the incoming 2016 board members:

2016 Chairman of the Board: George Creed.

Incoming Board Members: Mary Kay Claus, Kathy Georgen, Jeff Bollettino, Agnes Wasowski, James Cudney, Tracy Murphy, Michael Amouri.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the incoming board members and in commending the Vienna Business Association for their commitment to promoting the business community while encouraging social responsibility. I wish them continued success in all their future endeavors.

IN HONOR OF DALE EARNHARDT'S 65TH BIRTHDAY

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 29, 2016

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, it's no secret that I'm a huge supporter of NASCAR. In fact, I'm fortunate to represent Charlotte Motor Speedway, "The Rock" in Rockingham, many NASCAR teams, and the best fans in the world.

That's why I'm here today to pay tribute to NASCAR champion, Kannapolis, North Carolina native and my all-time favorite driver, Dale Earnhardt.

"The Intimidator" would have been 65 years old today, and I want to ask my fellow North Carolinians and racing enthusiasts to join me in celebrating his life and career.

A legend on and off the track, Dale lived the American Dream. He came from humble beginnings in Kannapolis, North Carolina and worked hard to become one of NASCAR's greatest heroes.

He earned seven NASCAR Winston Cup championships, tying "The King," Richard Petty. And through his success, he remained a man of the people who always gave back to the community he loved.

From his debut at Charlotte Motor Speedway in 1975, to his last NASCAR championship that he secured with a win at "The Rock" in 1994, to his final laps at the Daytona 500—battling to keep two cars he owned in the lead—Dale faced every obstacle and opportunity with unmatched courage, passion, determination and a tremendous sense of humor.

There's no question that Dale Earnhardt left a lasting impression on motorsports, on our community, and on NASCAR fans like me. Happy birthday, Number 3.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 29, 2016

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, the weeks of April 18th and April 25th, I was unavoidably detained and missed several votes. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on Roll Call No. 155, "no" on Roll Call No. 156, "no" on Roll Call No. 157, "no" on Roll Call No. 158, "yea" on Roll Call No. 159, "no" on Roll Call No. 160, "no" on Roll Call No. 161, "no" on Roll Call No. 162, "yea" on Roll Call No. 163, "yea" on Roll Call No. 164, "yea" on Roll Call No. 165, "yea" on Roll Call No. 166, "yea" on Roll Call No. 167, "no" on Roll Call No. 168, "no" on Roll Call No. 169, "yes" on Roll Call No. 170, "no" on Roll Call No. 171, "yea" on Roll Call No. 172, "no" on Roll Call No. 173, and "no" on Roll Call No. 174.

CONGRATULATING DAVID AND DEBBY SPETNAGEL OF FLEET FEET SPORTS FOR RECEIVING THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT 2016 EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR AWARD—RETAIL CATEGORY

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 29, 2016

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor constituents of mine, David and Debby Spetnagel. They are owners of Fleet Feet Sports and are receiving the 2016 Employer of the Year Award, in the Retail Category from the City of St. Charles Economic Development Department.

Fleet Feet Sports opened its doors on April 12, 1993 and since then has been successfully serving the community. Since the first store opening in 1993, five additional stores have been opened. In 2001, Fleet Feet Sports opened its Chesterfield location. In 2008, Fleet Feet Sports welcomed a new store in South St. Louis County. On Fleet Feet Sports' 20th anniversary, David and Debby Spetnagel opened another store in Des Peres. The most recent store openings were in Town & Country in 2014 and O'Fallon in 2015.

Over the last several years, Fleet Feet Sports has maintained consistent sales while adding 24 new employees in 2015. Employees of Fleet Feet Sports are recognized throughout their time with the company by the owners, David and Debby Spetnagel. With this type of employee recognition, it cultivates the spirit of strong customer service which positively affects their business and creates continued successes.

Fleet Feet Sports has faced many challenges over the years. Overcoming a very competitive retail and run specialty market and adapting to an ever-pressing e-commerce environment were two of the hardest struggles faced by owners, David and Debby Spetnagel. To overcome these challenges, Fleet Feet Sports has had to consistently seek better ways to recognize and serve their customers as well as keeping their website and digital offerings up-to-date.

Fleet Feet Sports' dedication to the community is made evident by the various events it sponsors. The company hosts free social runs in the St. Charles area as well as Frontier Park. Throughout various donations of shoes and apparel, Fleet Feet Sports impacts numerous lives in the local community.

I ask you to join me in recognizing Fleet Feet Sports for its accomplishment as the 2016 Employer of the Year Award—Retail Category.

CELEBRATING CARLOS ELIAS, SUPERINTENDENT OF THE U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING AND THE CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 29, 2016

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate and thank Carlos for his 17 years